

Idaho Department of Fish & Game McCall Region Preliminary Proposed Changes for the 2011 Big Game Seasons

The 2011 proposed changes are designed to address several objectives. Objectives include:

DEER:

Adjust antierless permit levels for Units 32 and 32A Controlled Hunts to coincide with population estimates and Mule Deer Plan Goals. This change results in a 500 permit decrease for Unit 32 (from 950 to 450) and a 75 permit increase in Unit 32A (from 375 to 450).

ELK:

Middle Fork Zone: Remove antierless hunting from the A-tag in response to 2011 aerial survey results that indicate the elk population has fallen below population objectives.

Weiser River Zone: Re-instate the Aug 15 – Sep 30 Antlerless Only, Outside National Forest System Boundary only, hunt in Unit 32A upstream from and including the Middle Fork Weiser River drainage and downstream from but excluding the East Fork Weiser River drainage.

Renumber Hunt Area 32A to 32A-1. Add a new any weapon antierless only hunt (Hunt Area 32A-2) from Dec 1 – Dec 31 with 50 permits in the northern part of Unit 32A to address an increased number of elk wintering in this area. Modify the Muzzleloader controlled hunt in 32A to remove the portion of the new hunt from the boundaries and reduce permits from 100 to 50 resulting in new Hunt Area 32A-3.

Eliminate the 31-1X Extra Antlerless Elk Hunt that was not meeting objectives.

PRONGHORN: No Change

BLACK BEAR: No Change

MOUNTAIN LION: No Change

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McCall Region 2011 Big Game Season Preliminary Proposed Changes



2011 ANTLERLESS DEER CONTROLLED HUNTS

Hunt Area	Season Dates	Permits	Notes	Change
32	Oct 10 – Oct 24	950-4 50	See note 4, Page 24,	Reduction of 500 Permits
			Motorized Vehicle Restriction, See note 2, Page 24	
32A	Oct 10 – Oct 24	375 450	Motorized Vehicle Restriction, See note 2, Page 24	Increase of 75 Permits

2011 GENERAL ELK SEASONS Middle Fork Zone

Tag	Aug/Sep	October	November	December
Α		Any Weapon –		
		Oct 1 – Oct 31		
		Units 20A & 26 – any		
		<u>antlered</u> elk		
		Unit 27 – antlerless or brow-		
		tined bulls only		
В	Any weapon –		Any weapon –	
	Sep 15 – Sep 30		Nov 1 – Nov 18	
	Units 20A & 26 –		Units 20A & 26 – antlered	
	antlered only		only	
	Unit 27 – brow-tined		Unit 27 – brow-tined bulls	
	bulls only		only	
Change	Remove antlerless from A	-tag		

Weiser River Zone

Tag	Aug/Sep	October	November	December
A	Archery only – any elk Aug 30 – Sep 30 See Note A below. Motorized Vehicle Restriction Units 32 32A, See Note 1, Page 46. Any weapon – antlerless only			
	Units 22 and 32A only: Aug 15-Sep 30 Outside National Forest System Boundary only, See Note C below, Extremely Limited Access			
	Any weapon – antlerless only Unit 32 only: Aug 1 – Nov 30 Please obtain permission to hunt private land before buying this tag! See Note B below, Extremely Limited Access. Motorized Vehicle Restriction See Note 1, Page 46			
В		Any weapon – Oct 25 – Motorized Vehicle Restriction Page 46. Short range weap	Nov 3 Units 32, 32A, See note 1,	
Change	Add portion of 32A into ea			1

Note C – Open areas: That portion of Unit 22 that lies outside National Forest System Boundary and drains into the Weiser River, upstream from and including the Hornet Creek drainage and downstream from and including the West Fork Weiser River drainage but excluding the entire Lost Creek drainage. That portion of Unit 32A that lies outside National Forest System Boundary and drains into the Weiser River upstream from and including the Middle Fork Weiser River drainage and downstream from but excluding the East Fork Weiser River drainage. Most elk are on private property in this area. The National Forest System Boundary is a legislatively set boundary – it is not necessarily the boundary of Forest Service property. State, private, and other lands within the National Forest System Boundary are not open to hunting during this season. (Please refer to a U.S. Forest Service map for the location of this boundary.)

2011 ANTLERLESS ELK CONTROLLED HUNTS

Hunt Area	Season Dates	Permits	Notes	Change
32A <u>-1</u>	Oct 1 – Oct 12	200	Motorized Vehicle Restriction	Hunt Area Number Change
32A <u>-1</u>	Oct 13 – Oct 24	200	Motorized Vehicle Restriction	Hunt Area Number Change
32A <u>-1</u>	Oct 25 – Nov 3	100	Motorized Vehicle Restriction	Hunt Area Number Change
32A <u>-1</u>	Nov 4 – Nov 30	100	Motorized Vehicle Restriction	Hunt Area Number Change
<u>32A-2</u>	<u>Dec 1 – Dec 30</u>	<u>50</u>	Motorized Vehicle Restriction	New Hunt and Hunt Area

2011 MUZZLELOADER ELK CONTROLLED HUNTS

Hunt Area	Season Dates	Permits	Notes	Change
32A <u>-3</u>	Dec 1 – Dec 31	100 50	Antlerless only	New Hunt Area Description and
			Motorized Vehicle Restriction	Number and Permit Reduction

2011 EXTRA ANTLERLESS ELK CONTROLLED HUNTS

Hunt Area	Season Dates	Permits	Notes	Change
31-1X	Jan 1 – Jan 31	100		Eliminate Hunt

ELK CONTROLLED HUNT AREA DESCRIPTIONS:

- Hunt Area 32A-1 All of Unit 32A
- <u>Hunt Area 32A-2 That portion of Unit 32A that drains into the Weiser River upstream from and including the Middle Fork Weiser River drainage.</u>
- Hunt Area 32A-3 That portion of Unit 32A that drains into the Payette River drainage and that portion of Unit 32A that drains into the Weiser River drainage downstream from but excluding the Middle Fork Weiser River drainage.